

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A fluoro-resin powder coating composition characterized by comprising a non-vinylidene fluoro-resin having a Tg higher than 40°C and a resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C, wherein the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C has crosslinkable reactive groups.

Claim 2 (Original): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 1, wherein the blend ratio (mass ratio) of the non-vinylidene fluoro-resin having a Tg higher than 40°C/the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C, is from 95/5 to 30/70.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the non-vinylidene fluoro-resin has crosslinkable reactive groups, and the fluoro-resin powder coating composition contains a curing agent capable of reacting with the crosslinkable reactive groups to form crosslinkages.

Claim 4 (Original): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 3, wherein the crosslinkable reactive groups are hydroxyl groups, carboxyl groups, amide groups, amino groups, mercapto groups, glycidyl groups, halogen atoms, isocyanate groups or hydrolysable silyl groups.

Claim 5 (Original): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 1, wherein the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C is an acrylic resin, a polyester resin or a non-vinylidene fluoro-resin.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim [[1]] 5, wherein the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C is a ~~the~~ non-vinylidene fluoro-resin ~~having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C~~ which is curable with a curing agent which is capable of curing the non-vinylidene fluoro-resin having a Tg higher than 40°C.

Claim 7 (Original): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 1, wherein the non-vinylidene fluoro-resin comprises fluoroolefin units and monomer units copolymerizable with the fluoroolefin units.

Claim 8 (New): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 1, wherein the crosslinkable reactive groups of the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C are hydroxyl groups, carboxyl groups, amide groups, amino groups, mercapto groups, glycidyl groups, or isocyanate groups.

Claim 9 (New): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 1, wherein the non-vinylidene fluoro-resin has a Tg of from 40°C to 70°C.

Claim 10 (New): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 1, wherein the non-vinylidene fluoro-resin has a Tg of from 50°C to 65°C.

Claim 11 (New): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 5, wherein the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C is an acrylic resin.

Claim 12 (New): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 5, wherein the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C is a polyester resin.

Claim 13 (New): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 5, wherein the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C is a non-vinylidene fluoro-resin.

Claim 14 (New): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 2, wherein the blend ratio (mass ratio) of the non-vinylidene fluoro-resin having a Tg higher than 40°C/the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C, is from 80/20 to 50/50.

Claim 15 (New): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 1, wherein the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C has a Tg of 10 to 40°C.

Claim 16 (New): The fluoro-resin powder coating composition according to Claim 1, wherein the resin having a Tg of from 0 to 40°C has a Tg of 20 to 40°C.